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IV. The List of the  shall be printed.

The Publication of the Maps, Charts, and Cuts, intended to embellish this *Second Part* of our great Undertaking, is postponed to the Conclusion of the Work; and this not only to avoid further Delay in the Publication of it, but to allow Time for greater Accuracy in the Execution of a Part in which Care and Exactness are so essentially necessary.

As near as can be computed, the MODERN HISTORY will extend to XXV Volumes, exclusive of the *Supplement*, and Maps, Cuts, &c. Nor will this be wondered at, when it is considered, that a *History*, not an *Abridgement*, is intended,

To the P U B L I C.

THE great value, and manifold uses, of what might be truly stiled an UNIVERSAL HISTORY, formed upon a well-regulated, and extensive plan, were so obvious to the Learned world, that, upon the first appearance of such a scheme, it met with the most favourable reception; and the Antient Part of it, already published, hath been so generally approved, that we need not take up either the Reader's time, or our own, with recommendations. It will be sufficient to say, that it hath been cited by foreign writers of the highest reputation, with testimonies of esteem: it hath been translated into several languages; and favoured, through all the *British* dominions, with a reception that may be safely urged as an argument of its merit.

The proprietors once hoped to have been able to proceed to the publication of the MODERN PART immediately after they had concluded that of the ANTIENT, and gave an intimation of that Hope to the public: But tho' they were even then furnished with copy for the far greater part of the work, they found, upon reflection, that they had not duly considered the matter, nor allowed for the time and pains necessary to be taken for supplying deficiencies, and paring off redundancies. These could not be avoided in the first writing, as several gentlemen wrote different parts, which yet had connexion with each other; nor could they be discovered until their respective copies came to be collated. It was moreover thought necessary, that when they *began* to publish, they should have several volumes ready, in order to avoid future interruptions. Their own *interest*, as well as gratitude to their kind encouragers, will induce them to forward the conclusion of the work, they having expended large Sums in materials and copy, for which they will not be reimbursed until their arduous undertaking shall be completed.

Accordingly, they begin their publication with no less than eight volumes in octavo; and in order to do justice to the purchasers of the first edition in folio, with three volumes in that size; which carry it down to the same period in both editions.

It is thought proper, on this occasion, to give a *succinct* view of the contents of the ANTIENT PART, already published; and a *more copious detail* of what will be found in the MODERN; and this not only for the sake of such as have not yet been purchasers; but that the connexion of the whole may appear, and shew the correspondence of the work with its title, *An UNIVERSAL HISTORY from the Earliest Ages to the present Time.*

The ANTIENT PART comprehends,

First, The cosmogony, or creation of the world ; which is amply explained, and the several curious speculations of learned men on that subject are fairly represented ; with whatever has been advanced most worthy of notice in respect to the Creation and Fall of *Adam* ; the situation of the garden of *Eden* ; the State of the antediluvian world ; and the changes made in the earth by the deluge ; the situation of mount *Ararat* ; the history of *Noah* after the Flood, and of his descendants to *Abraham* ; the famous *Phœnician* history of *Sanchoniabo*, which is the fountain of fabulous theogony, cosmogony, and physiology ; the removal of mankind from about mount *Ararat* to the plain of *Shinear* ; the building of *Babel* ; the confusion of tongues ; the dispersion of mankind ; and the two first general migrations.

An account of the original of civil government, and the establishment of the first kingdom erected after the dispersion of mankind.

The antiquity, chronology, government, laws, religion, customs, arts, learning, and trade, of the antient *Egyptians*, to the Time of *Alexander the Great*.

The histories of *Isaac*, *Ammon*, *Midian* or *Madian* ; of *Edom*, *Amalek*, *Canaan*, and of the *Philistines*.

The government, laws, religion, &c. together with the chronology, and the reigns of the kings, of the antient *Syrians*.

The history of *Phœnicia* ; under its respective branches of government, laws, religion, &c. with its chronology, and succession of kings, from the antient fabulous history of the *Greeks*, with proper remarks.

The history of the *Hebrews*, from *Abraham* to *Moses* ; their bondage in *Egypt* ; their entrance into the land of *Canaan* ; their history under *Joshua* ; a description of the *Land of Promise* ; the religion, government, laws, customs, learning, arts, and commerce of the *Jews* ; their chronology, from the calling of *Abraham* to the *Babylonish* captivity ; the history of the *Jews* under their monarchical government ; with an essay on the rise and progress of idolatry, as well as arts reputed magical.

An explanation at large of *Salomon's* temple, according to the sacred historians, with a description of *Jerusalem*.

The history of *Assyria* ; the government, laws, religion, customs, arts, learning, and trade of the *Assyrians* ; their chronology to the fall of that empire ; the history of *Assyria* according to *Ctesias* of *Cnidos*, and his followers ; the history of *Assyria* according to Scripture, and the most approved amongst profane authors.

The history of the *Babylonians*, from the first rise of their monarchy to its dissolution.

The description of *Media* ; containing an account of the government, laws, religion, customs, arts, learning, and trade of
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the *Medes*, to the translation of their empire to the *Persians*; which brings us next to

The description of *Persia*; and the customs, arts, learning, trade, and religion of the *Persians*; with the reigns of their kings.

An inquiry into the origin, antiquity, migrations, and settlements of the *Scythians* and *Gomerians*, considered as distinct nations, by way of introduction to their history.

The history of the *Celtes* under the names of *Gomerians*, *Cymmerians*, *Cymbrians*, *Celtes*, *Gauls*, *Galatians*, *Titans*, *Sacs*, &c. containing the antiquities, government, laws, religion, customs, learning, and trade of the antient *Celtes*.

The geography of *Scythia*; with the laws, religion, customs, and learning of the antient *Scythians*; also the history of the kings of that nation.

The history of the antient *Phrygians*, and the reigns of the kings of *Phrygia*.

The history of *Phrygia Minor*; containing an account of the government, religion, customs, learning, and trade of the *Trojans*; with a succinct view of their kings.

The history of the *Mysians* and *Lydians*, including the succession of their monarchs.

The history of the antient *Lycians*.

An account of the fabulous and heroic times.

The histories of the antient kingdoms of *Sicyon*, *Argos*, *Attica*, *Bæotia*, *Thebes*, *Arcadia*, *Thessaly*, *Phocis*, *Corinth*, *Lacedæmonia*, *Elis*, *Ætolia*, *Locris*, *Doris*, and *Achaia*.

Of the state of *Athens*, from the establishment of annual archons to the *Achæan* league.

The history of *Sparta*, from *Lycurgus* to its accession by *Philopæmen* to the *Achæan* confederacy.

The histories of *Achaia*, *Ætolia*, *Sicily*, *Rhodes*, *Crete*, *Cyprus*, and *Samos*.

The history of the islands of the *Propontis*; viz. *Proconnesus*, *Besbicus*, *Tenedos*, *Lesbos*, *Chios*, *Icaria*, *Cos*, *Nisyra*, *Carpathus*, &c.

The history of the islands in the *Cretan* sea; viz. *Thera*, the *Cyclades*, *Delos*, *Rhænæa*, *Cyrus*, *Sciathus*.

The history of the *Macedonians*; comprehending the laws, manners, and military discipline of that people; the history of the *Macedonian* kingdom, from its foundation to the reign of *Philip*, the father of *Alexander*; the reign of *Alexander the Great*; the division of the *Macedonian* empire; the history of the reign of *Antigonus* and his son *Demetrius* in *Asia*; the history of *Macedon*, from the death of *Alexander* to the time of its being conquered by the *Romans*.

The history of the *Seleucidæ* in *Syria*, to the reduction of their dominions by the *Romans*.

The history of *Egypt*, from the foundation of that monarchy by *Ptolemy Lagos*, or *Soter*, to its being made a *Roman* province.

The history of the *Armenians*, with the succession of the kings of *Armenia Major*.

The history of the kingdom of *Pontus*.

———— of the *Cappadocians*.

———— of the kings of *Pergamus*.

———— of *Thrace*.

———— of the antient kingdom of *Epirus*, and their princes.

———— of *Bithynia*.

———— of the kingdoms of *Colchis*, *Iberia*, *Aibania*, *Bosphorus*, *Media*, *Bactria*, *Edessa*, *Emesa*, *Adiabene*, *Characene*, *Elymais*, *Comagene*, and *Calcidene*.

The history of the *Jews*, from their return out of the *Babylonish* captivity to their falling under the government of their high-priests, &c. their transactions under them and the *Maccabees*; their history from *Judas Maccabeus* to their subjugation by the *Romans*; from thence to the reign of *Herod the Great*; from *Herod the Great's* reign to the birth of *Christ*, with an account of the principal sects then in *Judea*; from the birth to the death of *Christ*; from *Christ's* resurrection to the total destruction of the city and temple, and the intire dispersion of the *Jewish* nation.

The history of the *Parthians*, from *Arsaces* to the recovery of the kingdom by the *Persians*.

The history of the *Persians*, from that period to their being subdued by the *Arabs*.

The antient state of *Italy* previous to the building of *Rome*; containing a description of *Italy*, the antient state and first inhabitants of that noble peninsula; the antient kings of *Hetruia*, *Latium*, and *Alba*; the *Roman* history, from *Romulus* to the foundation of the commonwealth; the consular state of *Rome* to the burning of the city by the *Gauls*; from the rebuilding of *Rome*, to the first *Carthaginian* or *Punic* war; from thence to the end of the second *Punic* war; from thence to the last *Punic* war, and the destruction of *Carthage*; to the sedition of the *Gracchi*; from the sedition of the *Gracchi* to the triumvirate of *J. Cæsar*, *Pompey*, and *Crassus*; from the triumvirate to the death of *J. Cæsar*; from thence to the perfect settling of the empire by *Octavianus*; from the reign of *Octavianus Augustus* to the death of *Domitian*, the last of the twelve *Cæsars*; a succinct account of the persecution of the *Alexandrian Jews*, and of *Philo's* embassy to *Caius Caligula*; from the death of *Domitian* to the death of *Alexander Severus*, when the empire was first transferred, without the consent of the senate; from that period to the removal of the imperial seat to *Constantinople* by *Constantine the Great*; from the reign of that emperor to the division of the empire; and from thence to the final extinction of the *Western* empire in *Augustulus*.

The antient state of several *Northern* nations to their irruption into the *Roman* empire, with their several expeditions and mutual expulsions, till the settling of the *Hunns* in *Hungary*; the *Vandals*, *Visigoths*, and *Sueves*, in *Spain*; the *Vandals* in *Afric*, the *Franks* in *Gaal*, and *Ostrogoths* in *Italy*; containing the history, wars, and settlements, of the antient *Hunns*, &c. after which follows the antient state and history of the *Burgundi*, *Alemans*, *Gepidæ*, *Heruli*, *Marcomans*, *Quadians*, *Sarmatians*, *Dacians*, *Lombards*, and *Bulgarians*.

The history of the *Ostrogoths* in *Italy*, the exarchs of *Ravenna*, and the *Lombards*, in *Italy*; containing the history of the *Ostrogoths* in *Italy* to their expulsion by *Narses*; the history of the *Lombards*, from the death of *Clephis* to *Desiderius*, taken prisoner by *Charlemagne*; and of the exarchate of *Ravenna*.

The history of the *Eastern* empire, from the dissolution of the *Western* to the taking of *Constantinople* by the *Latins*; from the expulsion of the *Latins* by the *Greeks* to the taking of *Constantinople* by the *Turks*, and the utter destruction of the *Greek* empire.

The history of the *Carthaginians*; containing a description of *Carthage*, and some account of the origin of that city; a succinct view of *Africa Propria*, or the territory of *Carthage*; the antiquity, government, laws, religion, language, customs, arts, learning, and trade, of the *Carthaginians*; their chronology and history, from the foundation of their city to the first *Punic* war; from thence to the second *Punic* war; from thence to the destruction of *Carthage* by *Æmilianus*.

The history of the *Numidians*, to their being conquered by the *Romans*; containing the description of *Numidia*, the antiquity, government, laws, religion, language, customs, arts, &c. of the *Numidians*; their history, from the earliest accounts of time to the conquest of their country by the *Romans*.

The history of the *Mauritanians*, to the intire destruction of their country by the *Romans*.

The history of the *Gætulians*, *Melanogætuli*, *Nigritæ*, and *Garamantes*.

The history of the *Libyans* and *Greeks* inhabiting the tract between the borders of *Egypt* and the river *Triton*; comprehending the histories of the *Libyans* of *Marmorica*, of *Cyrenaica*, and of the *Regio Syrtica*.

The history of the *Ethiopians*; containing the description of *Ethiopia*, the antiquity, government, laws, religion, language, customs, arts, &c. of the *Ethiopians*; with their history, to the usurpation of the *Zagean* family, which commenced about the year of *Christ* 960.

The history of the *Arabs*, and their antient state, to the time of *Mohammed*; containing the description of *Arabia*, the antiquity,

government, laws, religion, language, learning, arts and sciences, disposition, &c. of the *Arabs*.

The history of the empires of *Nice* and *Trapezond*, from their foundation (the former, by *Theodore Lascaris*, and the latter, by the *Comneni*) to their final abolition; the one, by *Michael Palæologus*, and the other by *Mohammed the Great*.

The state and history of *Spain*, from the earliest times; containing a description of that extensive country, the religion, government, customs, learning, &c. of the antient *Spaniards*; their origin, kings, &c. the conquest of *Spain* by the *Carthaginians* and *Romans*, to the entrance of the *Goths*, and other *Northern* nations.

The antient state, &c. of the *Gauls*, to their being conquered by *Julius Cæsar*, and to the irruption of the *Franks*; containing a description of *Gaul*, the religion of the antient *Gauls*, and when they first introduced the worship of inferior deities; their origin, government, learning, commerce, and customs.

The history of the antient *Germans*, to their breaking into the *Roman* empire; their invasion of *Gaul*, and expulsion by the *Franks*; containing a description of *Germany*, with its various nations, names, &c. also an account of the religion, government, laws, customs, language, &c. of the antient *Germans*.

The antient state and history of *Britain*; its first inhabitants, religion, customs, &c. and their state under the *Romans*; their history from the first coming of *Julius Cæsar*, to the desertion of the island by the *Romans*; and thence to the invasion of the *Angles* and *Saxons*.

The history of the ancient *Arabs* in general, *Nomades*, *Scenites*, &c. down to *Mohammed*.

The history of their kings, laws, religion, government, learning, language, &c.

The history of the *Etruscans*, one of the most celebrated nations of *Italy*; including the geography of their country, an account of their manners, religion, language, arts, &c. also the like account of the *Umbrians*, *Sabines*, and several other *Italian* nations.

A particular account of *Xenophon's* glorious retreat with an handful of *Greeks*, in spite of the whole power of the *Persian* empire.

The history of the antient *Indians*, *Chinese*, *Tartars*, &c.

The most probable conjectures concerning the first peopling of *America*.

A dissertation on the independency of the *Arabs*.

To all which are subjoined TABLES in the nature of a chronological index, comprehending a methodical and useful summary of facts relating to the Antient History, digested in a regular series of time.

In respect to the *Second Part*, which is very properly distinguished by the title of the MODERN HISTORY; it will be found to be a pursuit of the original plan, except in cases where it has appeared necessary, for the sake of perspicuity, to enlarge it, and in such articles as will be well accounted for in Vol. III. p. 670. of this our MODERN PART, in octavo, and Vol. II. p. 109. of the folio; so that the scattered threads of the several histories being taken up again where they were let fall in the ANTIENT PART, the narration will be carried on without any chasm to its final period.

This SECOND PART of our work opens with the life of *Mohammed*, that famous *Arab*, who imposed his name on a new, and, so far as it is *new*, a *false* religion; the professors of which, in a surprisingly short space of time, erected several great empires, some of which still subsist, and contain many of the most delightful countries upon the globe. This will be in a great measure new, at least in our language, and to most of our readers; as being chiefly drawn from their own authors, delivered without prejudice or partiality; but intirely free from those rhetorical flourishes, and flighty metaphors, with which the writings of the *Oriental*s are commonly disguised (*a*). The history is here resumed of those famous and once so fertile countries which made so great a figure in antient authors; and in treating of which, a multitude of errors are corrected, many omissions supplied, and various obstacles removed, which hitherto have disgraced what has been published on this subject by the moderns.

The general history of the *Arabs* from *Mohammed*.

The life of *Mohammed*, the founder of their empire.

The continuation of the reigns of his successors under the title of *Khalifs*, unril the abolition of the *Khalifat*, and the taking of *Bagdad* by the *Tartars*.

The general history of the *Turks*, and the empires founded by them in *Tartary* and *Lower Asia*.

The general history of the *Seljukians*, or *Seljuks*, of *Iran* or *Persia*, and of *Kerman* in particular, with the dynasty of their sultans there.

The dynasty of the *Seljuk* sultans in *Rum*.

Of the *Moguls*, or *Munguls*, in *Western Tartary*, from the time of *Jenghiz Khan*.

The foundation of their empire by *Jenghiz Khan*, together with The history and reign of that great conqueror.

The reigns of the successors of *Jenghiz Khan* in *Mogulestan*.

Of his successors in *Tartary* and *China*, from the great *Timâr Bek*, vulgarly *Tamerlane*, and by the *Chinese Ching-Tjong*.

(*a*) For a more particular account of the execution of this part of our Plan with regard to the *History of the Arabs*, (a Work long wished, by the Learned of all nations, to be given in the manner here humbly attempted) see the Advertisement to the Reader, prefixed to the first volume of this our *Modern History*.

The reigns of *Juji*, al. *Tusbi Khan*, and his successors, in *Kipjak*; with those of the khans in *Krim Tartary*.

Of *Jengbiz Khan's* successors in *Great and Little Bukharia*, and parts of *Karasm*, in *Iran* or *Persia*, &c.

The reigns and conquests of *Timûr Bek*, and his successors.

The reigns of the shahs in *Persia*, from *Abbas the Great*, and his successors, to the death of *Husseyn*.

Of the *Arabian* kings of *Ormuz* or *Hormuz*.

Of the *Turkians*, and of the *White* and *Black Sheep*.

Of the *Uzbeks*, and their Settlements in *Bukharia* and *Karasm*; and reigns of their khans, and description of their country.

Of the great mogul, and kingdom of *Indostan*; and the reigns of the successors of *Timûr Bek* there, under the name of *Jagathays* and *Moguls*, till the conquest of it by *Shah Nadir*, alias *Kouli Khan*.

Of the peninsula of *India*, and its several kingdoms and monarchs.

Of the kingdom of *Dekan*, or *Dekhan*; viz. *Visapûr*, *Golkonda*, *Kanara*, and the coast and country of *Malabar*.

Of the kingdoms of *Madura*, *Tanjaer*, *Karnata*, &c.

The religion of the *Indians*.

Of the *Further India*; of the kingdoms of *Affam* and *Tipra*, *Arracan*, *Pegu*, the empire of *Ava*, the kingdoms of *Jangoma*, *Lavang*, or *Lass*, *Siam*, *Champa*, *Kochin China*, *Tonking*, &c.

Of the *Eastern Tartary*; the empire of *Lyau*, alias *Kitan*, *Nyu-che*, alias *Kia*, *Sijan*, alias *Tufan*, and *Hya*.

The history of the great empire of *China*, and all its dependencies, particularly the peninsula of *Korea*, &c. follows, and is continued down to the expulsion of the Christians out of that country.

The history of the empire and islands of *Japan*, and the adjacent islands, down to the same period, and the settlement of the *Dutch* at *Nagasaki*.

A complete and copious account of the rise, progress, and present state, of the *European* settlements in the *East Indies*, including that of the *European* companies established for promoting and extending this commerce, with the disputes that have arisen upon this head in *Europe*; besides a great variety of other curious particulars not extant before in our language.

The history of the *Ottoman* empire, from its foundation to the reign of *Mehmet II.*

The continuation of the history of the *Jews* from their dispersion, and the destruction of *Jerusalem* by *Titus Vespasian*, down to the close of the last century.

The history of *Africa*; containing a general description of that vast continent, various kingdoms, climates, nations, religions, products, gold and other mines, commerce, jealousy of all its inhabitants against the *Europeans*, various governments, particularly the dynasty of the *Vandals*, and khalifs of *Kairwan*, &c.

The modern history of *Egypt*; the vast decay of its antient fertility, fecundity, populousness, and healthiness, accounted for;

various government under the *Arabs*, *Fatemite Khalifs*, *Ayubites*, or descendants from *Salah'addin*, and *Mamluks*, unto its conquest by the *Turks*; and an account of the grand caravan from *Al Kairo* to *Mecca*.

The history of the great empire of *Abissinia* or *Ethiopia*, brought down as low as is possible, that is, till the total expulsion of the *Europeans* out of, and shutting up all kind of commerce with, it.

The history of the kingdoms and states tributary or adjacent to it.

The history of the kingdoms of *Dancali* and *Adel*, al. *Zeyla*, and other states on the south coast of *Babel Mandel*.

The history of the kingdom of *Magadexa*, republic of *Brava*, and other states on the coasts of *Ajan*, with the fabulous kingdom of *Adia*, or *Adea*.

The history of the kingdoms of *Melinda*, *Mombaso*, *Xiloa*, or *Quiloa*, and others, on the coasts of *Zanguebar*.

The history of *Mosambico*, *Sofala*, *Monomotapa*, and others in the inland near that coast, as far as they have been yet known; particularly the great empire of *Monoemugi*, *Caffraria*, or the land of the *Caffars*.

The history of the *Hottentots*, and the *Dutch* settlement on the *Cape of Good Hope*.

The history of the *Western Ethiopia*; containing the kingdoms of *Benguela*, *Angola*, *Kongo*, and *Loango*, with those on the inland, contiguous to them; viz. *Metamba*, *Anfiko*, and others; together with an account of the savage nation of the *Giagas*, their dreadful irruptions, ravages, and horrid butcheries, along the western coast, and thro' the heart of *Africa*, and along the eastern coast; together with an account of the wars of the bloody *Zingha*, queen of the *Metamban Giagas*, against the *Portuguese* of *Angola*.

The history of *Guiney* and the *Gold Coast*, together with the description of, and vast commerce carried on with, the *European* settlements on the rivers of *Sanaga*, *Gambia*, &c.

The history of the kingdoms of *Nigritia*, or *Negroland*, and other adjacent nations.

The history of *Barbary* in general, and its various changes and governments; and the different kingdoms and states formed from them.

The history of the empires of *Morocco* and *Fez*, from their becoming subject to the *shârîfs*.

The history of the *shârîfs* in *Morocco* and *Fez*, to the present time.

The history of the republics of *Algiers*, *Tunis*, and *Tripoli*, and the inland country of *Biledulgerid*, desarts of *Zara*, *Barca*, &c.

The history of the inland kingdoms of *Nubia*, *Lybia*, and *Numidia*.

The history of the *African* islands, particularly that of *Malta*, and of the order and knights of that name; of *Madagascar*, *Cape Verd*, &c.

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The following articles, for reasons given in the work (b), are referred to the Supplemental Volume.

The history of the *Aglabites*, *Rostamites*, *Edrisites*, and *Fâtemites* in *Africa*.

The history of the *Emirs* of *Sicily*, who gradually rendered themselves independent on the princes of the house of *Aglab*.

The history of the *Omniyan Khalifs*, and *Moorish* kings, in *Spain*.

The history of the *Muslem* kingdom, founded by *Apothapsus*, or *Abu Kabs*, the *Spanish Magrebian* admiral, in *Crete*.

The history of the families of *Tolun* and *Al Akhsîd*; and of the *Fâtemite Khalifs* of *Egypt*.

The history of the *Khalifs* of the house of *Al Abbâs* in *Egypt*, after the taking of *Baghdâd* by the *Tartars*.

The history of the monarchies which sprung up in *Irân*, or *Persia*, at large, on the declension of the *Khalifs*, to the conquest of the *Tartars*; viz. the *Tâberians*, *Thâberians*, or *Dhâberians*, *Saffarians*, *Sammâniâns*, *Deylamites*, *Bûijans*, *Gaznevîds*, and *Khowsârazmians*.

The history of the *Indians*, to the conquest of *India* by *Mahmûd Gazni*, and his successors of the families of *Gazni*, *Gaur*, and *Kurt*, till the subversion of their power by *Timûr Bek*, and the *Moguls*.

The history of the princes of the house of *Mardâs* at *Aleppo*, and of the family of *Hamdân* at *Al Mawjel*, *Alâredîn*, *Aleppo*, *Kinîsrîn*, and other places in the territories of the *Khalifs*.

The history of the *Sâhebs* of *Al Batiha*, of the descendants of *Merwân* in *Mesopotamia*, and of the *Okailite Arabs* at *Al Mawjel*.

The history of the *Atâbeks* presiding over the *Babylonian Irâk*, *Syria*, and the greatest part of *Mesopotamia*, generally called the *Atâbeks* of *Irâk*.

The history of the *Atâbeks* of *Adherbijân*, *Fârs*, and *Larîstân*.

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The history of the *Babrite Mamlûks* in *Egypt*.

The history of the *Circassian*, *Cherchassian*, or *Al Ferchassian*, *Mamlûks*, in that country, to its conquest by the *Turks*.

The history of the kingdoms of *Senner* and *Nubia*.

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The history of the *Al Melâbidah*, or *Ijmaelians* in *Irân* and *Syria*, commonly called *Agjassins*, to their extirpation by the *Tartars*.

The history of the *Mozhafferian* dynasty in *Persia*, to which a period was put by *Timûr Bek*.

(b) See Vol. iii. p. 670, octavo; and Vol. ii. p. 109, folio.

The history of the *Sarbedarian* dynasty in *Khorasân*, the last of whose princes was also subdued by that conqueror.

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Of *Portugal*, from *Henry of Burgundy* to this time.

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———— of *Ireland*, to its conquest under *Henry* the second, and from thence to this time.

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———— of the dukedoms of *Burgundy, Lorrain, &c.*

———— of *Denmark and Norway*.

———— of *Sweden*.

———— of the kingdom of *Prussia*.

———— of *Poland*, and its dependencies.

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